

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Many types of vehicle disturb the environment behind them as they proceed. As a result, a delay between two successive vehicles has to be maintained to avoid a situation where following vehicles are adversely affected by the disturbed environment caused by leading vehicles. Previously, sequencing has been carried out on a "first come, first served" basis but this is not satisfactory. A method of sequencing a plurality of vehicles is disclosed, wherein each candidate vehicle in said plurality of candidate vehicles is a candidate to be allocated the next place in a sequence, said method comprising the steps of: (i) receiving information pertaining to one of said candidate vehicles; (ii) calculating a value to be attributed to said candidate vehicle on the basis of said received information and information received from the candidate vehicle most recently allocated a place in said sequence; (iii) repeating steps (i) and (ii) for each of said candidate vehicles; (iv) selecting one of said candidate vehicles based on said attributed values; and (v) allocating said selected candidate vehicle the next place in said sequence.

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